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EDITOR'S NOTE.

It has, up to quite recent years, been the custom of banjo, mandolin or guitar music-book publishers to ask the public to purchase their merchandise, without giving that public any adequate explanation of why good money should be parted with over the counter: unless, perhaps, the books offered carried, on the face of them, the apparent value of the price printed on their covers. But things and conditions have been gradually altering for the better. Humanity is clamouring for art measures which are more utilitarian than ornamental or proceniumised. Humanity [as represented in the present instance by the Banjo Community] requires and demands printed music works which are of progressive and educative tendencies when assiduously and earnestly devoured by the younger and intelligent rising generation. With the above suggested and original conceptions in mind it has been found desirable and serviceable to extend the firm's "*Banjoist's Pastime*" in a step-by-step manner into a "*Banjoist's Pastime, No. 2*," which, for the purpose of averting confusion in *commercial* orders for copies, we are designating as

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One might truly say that the "*Pastime*" is agreeable to the tired-out enthusiast, and the "*Companion*" will meet most of the requirements of the student whose main object is, by effort, to improve himself with the least expense of energy and monetary outlay possible. In sporting parlance, "*Banjoist's Pastime*" may be described as *flat-racing*, whilst "*Banjoist's Companion*" borders more on *steeple-chasing* or *cross-country* scampering.

But the users of "*The Banjoist's Companion*" do not require to be conversant with this preface; it would be more expeditious for them to study it after they had memorised all the music portion. It is implied, for just reasons, that the student should be possessed of sufficient banjo [technical] knowledge as is incorporated in "*The Banjoist's Pastime*" before he takes on with the "*Companion*," even if he have never used the "*Pastime*."

There are, however, some *signs* or *symbols* used in the earlier book which are applicable to the present work, and, for the convenience of readers of this letterpress we include below, in abbreviated form:

THE SNAP.

If a left-hand finger [engaged in pressing a string against a fret] is removed in such a way as to produce the sound of a note, the result is called a *snap*. The sign used for the Snap in this firm's publications is:- .

THE SLUR.

If a finger 'hammers' a string against a fret in such a manner as to produce the sound of a note, the effect is called a *slur*, and is indicated thus:- .

(N. B. Snaps and Slurs are useful for developing the muscles of the left hand fingers.)

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NO. 1. FREE AND EASY.

A musical score for a piece titled "FREE AND EASY". The score is written on ten staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The time signature is 2/4. The music features a variety of rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. There are several fingerings indicated by numbers 1-4 above the notes. A "7 P" marking is present above the first staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a sharp sign on the final staff.

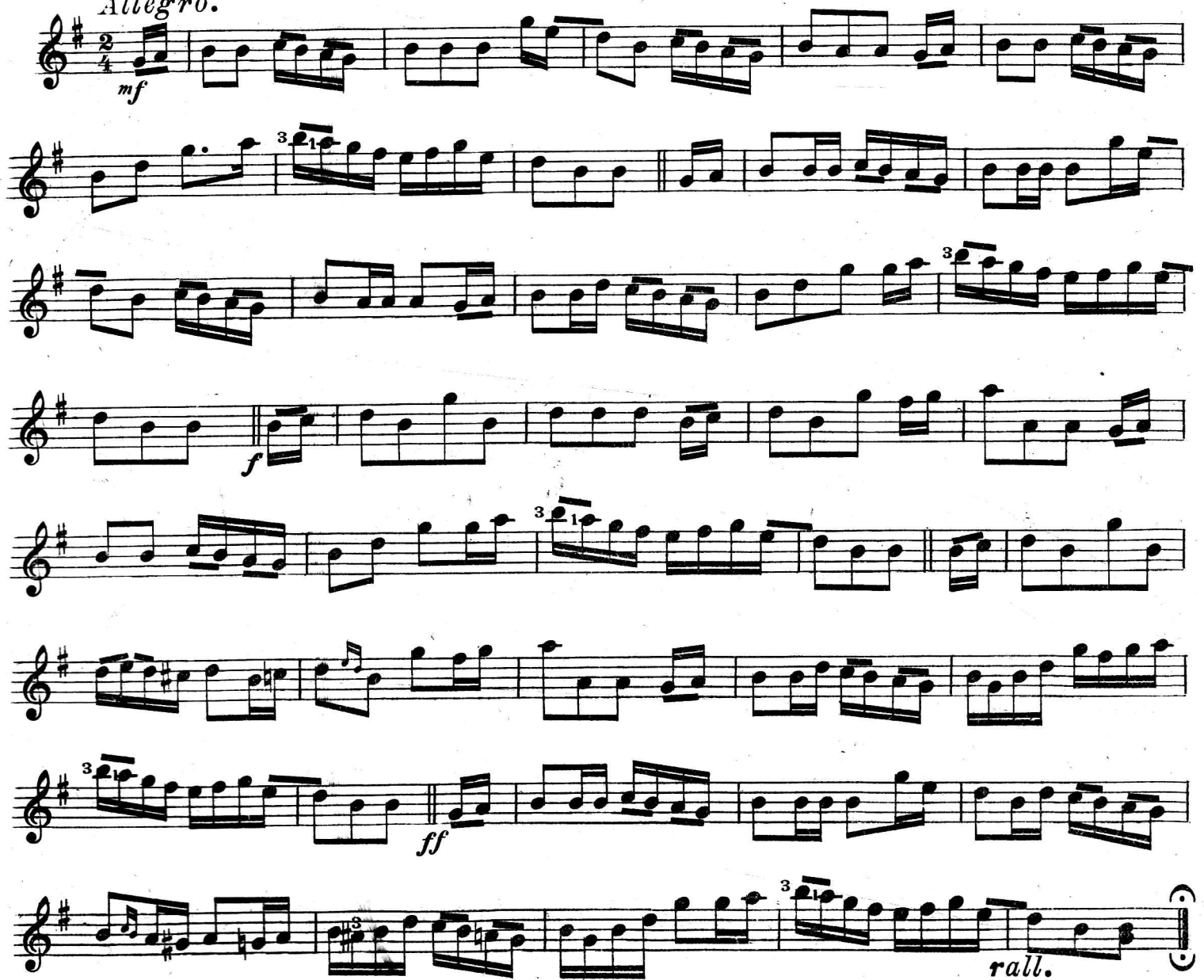
NO. 2. MY LOVE SHE'S BUT A LASSIE YET.

A musical score for a piece titled "MY LOVE SHE'S BUT A LASSIE YET". The score is written on four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The time signature is 2/4. The music features a variety of rhythmic patterns, including eighth and sixteenth notes, and rests. There are several fingerings indicated by numbers 1-4 above the notes. The piece begins with a "mf" (mezzo-forte) dynamic marking. The score concludes with a double bar line and a sharp sign on the final staff.



No. 3. "THE WHITE COCKADE."

Allegro.



6 No. 4. "KEMO, KIMO." MEDLEY.

Allegro.

7 P

7 P

7 P

7 P

12 P

12 P

ff

No. 5. "AN OLD REGULAR" JIG.

Allegro.

Minor.

Break.

No. 6. "ANTEDILUVIA."

Tempo di Marcia.

Double snap

accel.

N^o 7. VALSE BANJOISTIQUE."*Tempo di Valse.*

The musical score consists of ten staves of music in 3/4 time, marked *Tempo di Valse*. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The notation includes various musical symbols such as treble clefs, notes, rests, slurs, and fingerings. Specific markings include:

- Staff 1: A triplet of eighth notes in the second measure, followed by a series of eighth notes with accents (>).
- Staff 2: A triplet of eighth notes in the third measure, and a measure marked "5P" with a slur over a triplet of eighth notes.
- Staff 3: A measure marked "x" with a slur over a triplet of eighth notes.
- Staff 4: A measure marked "8P" with a slur over a triplet of eighth notes.
- Staff 5: A measure marked "3P" with a slur over a triplet of eighth notes, and a measure with a circled "2" and "3" below it.
- Staff 6: A measure marked "3P" with a slur over a triplet of eighth notes, and a measure with a circled "2" and "3" below it.
- Staff 7: A measure marked "3" with a slur over a triplet of eighth notes.
- Staff 8: A measure marked "8P" with a slur over a triplet of eighth notes.
- Staff 9: A measure marked "3P" with a slur over a triplet of eighth notes.
- Staff 10: A measure marked "3P" with a slur over a triplet of eighth notes.

NO. 8. "GLORY, EN ROUTE."

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Tempo di Schottische.

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff in 3/4 time. The tempo is marked 'Tempo di Schottische'. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The score consists of ten staves of music. The notation includes various rhythmic values, slurs, and fingerings. Notable features include:

- Staff 1: Begins with a treble clef and a 3/4 time signature. The first measure contains a triplet of eighth notes.
- Staff 2: Continues the melodic line with various eighth and sixteenth notes.
- Staff 3: Features a triplet of eighth notes in the final measure.
- Staff 4: Continues the melodic development.
- Staff 5: Includes a triplet of eighth notes in the first measure and another triplet in the final measure.
- Staff 6: Continues the melodic line.
- Staff 7: Features a triplet of eighth notes in the first measure and a circled '4' in the final measure.
- Staff 8: Includes a '9P' marking above the first measure and a '4' above the fourth measure.
- Staff 9: Continues the melodic line.
- Staff 10: Ends with a triplet of eighth notes and a circled '4' in the final measure.

The image shows a musical score for a piece titled "MELODY" and its "VARIATION". The score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 3/4. The "MELODY" section consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a time signature of 3/4. The melody is written in a simple, folk-like style. The second and third staves continue the melody. The "VARIATION" section consists of two staves of music. The first staff of the variation begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a time signature of 3/4. The melody is more complex, featuring triplets and slurs. The second staff of the variation continues the melody, also featuring triplets and slurs. The score is printed on a white background with black ink.

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NO. 11. "MÉLODIE UNIQUE."

Tune thus

Allegretto.

7P.

4P.

7P.

7P.

4P.

7P.

12.H.

slide

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